

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please replace the Title with following new Title:

--METHODS FOR PRODUCING AMINO ACIDS IN CORYNEFORM BACTERIA USING AN  
ENHANCED sigD GENE--

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as shown in the attached AMENDMENTS TO THE  
SPECIFICATION.

Please replace the Abstract on page 29 of the specification with the attached  
Abstract of the Specification.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claims 1-11, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20-22 and 26-28 without prejudice or  
disclaimer.

Please amend claims 12, 14, 16, 19, and 23-25 and add new claims 29-35 as shown  
in the attached LISTING OF CLAIMS.